

5 Claims

I claim:

1. A leveling and marking tool for mounting items having pre-cut mounting holes to a

10 wall, and for making indenting marks in the wall that are in spaced apart relationship to
match the pre-cut mounting holes of the item to be mounted, the leveling and marking tool
comprising:

a frame having a front surface, a back surface, a lengthwise opening, a first projected
tab mounted in a fixed hole at an end of the frame on the same axis as the lengthwise
15 opening, a second projected tab movable in an axial direction along the lengthwise
opening, threadable locking means for fixing the second projected tab in selected locations
along the lengthwise opening spaced longitudinally from the first projected tab at a distance
corresponding to the distance between the pre-cut mounting holes, the first projected tab
20 having a first conical point that outwardly projects from the back surface at a fixed location
along the axis of the lengthwise opening, the second projected tab having a second conical
point that outwardly projects from the surface at a selected location along the axis of the
lengthwise opening, at least one bubble gauge mounted to the frame, and means
associated with the first projected tab and the second projected tab for accurately indenting
said marks in the wall.

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2. The leveling and marking tool as recited in Claim 1, wherein the conical point of the
first conical point of the first projected tab and the second conical point of the second
projected tab outwardly project an equal distance from the back surface of the frame and
wherein the frame includes a printed reference scale with the fixed hole serving as a zero
30 point on the printed reference scale.

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3. A leveling and marking tool for mounting an item having pre-cut mounting holes to a
wall, and for making marks in the wall that are in spaced apart relationship to match the
pre-cut mounting holes of the item to be mounted, the leveling and marking tool
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5 a frame having a back surface, and an axis, a first projected tab mounted in a fixed
hole at one end of the frame on the axis, said first projected tab projecting from the back
surface at a fixed location along the axis, a second projected tab moveable in an axial
direction along the frame, said second projected tab projecting fro the back surface at a
selected location along the axis, locking means for fixing the second tab in selected
10 locations along the frame spaced from the first projected tab at a distance corresponding
to a distance between the pre-cut mounting holes, a leveling gauge on said frame and
means associated with the first and second projected tabs for making said marks in a
spaced and level relationship on said wall such that the mounting holes for said item can
be installed at said marks.

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4. The leveling and marking tool as recited in Claim 3, wherein the first and second
projected tabs each include a conical point such that said marks are indented into the wall
by applying pressure and wherein the frame includes a printed reference scale with the
fixed hole serving as a zero point on the reference scale.

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5. The leveling and marking tool as recited in Claim 3, wherein the locking means
includes threads and passes through a longitudinal slot in the frame and wherein said fixed
hole is a threaded hole.

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